



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

REQUEST FOR AN ORAL HEARING

APPELLANTS: Alto STEMMER et al. CONFIRMATION NO. 6144
SERIAL NO.: 09/710,903 GROUP ART UNIT: 2174
FILED: November 14, 2000 EXAMINER: Peng Ke
TITLE: "METHOD FOR ALTERING A PROTOCOL IN A MAGNETIC
RESONANCE APPARATUS"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.194, Appellants request an oral hearing in connection with the appeal of the above-referenced application.

This Request is accompanied by a check for the requisite fee in the amount of \$290.00.

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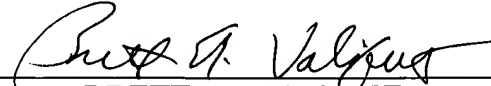
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